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Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Work activity around the state was consistent with last week's activities. The days suitable for work was 6.7 days, down 0.3 from last week's mark. Crops continue to progress throughout the state. Livestock producers are thrilled with this year's operations and all reports indicate that the livestock are doing well.

Field Crops Summary

Growers in most counties received another week of good weather, minus the slight frost over the weekend. Alfalfa's first cutting is about 65 percent complete, while some farmers have begun irrigating the fields for the second crop. On the downside, there have been reports of alfalfa weevil crop damage from Box Elder, Cache, and Weber counties. Most farmers are planning to cut the first crop hay and then spray insecticides on the second crop if needed. Box Elder reports that Mormon Crickets are continuing to get worse in the Rosette area. Also, reports from Duchesne and Dagget counties indicate that there have been sightings of grasshoppers in the Roosevelt area.

Livestock Summary

The outlook as a whole looks good for livestock. Cattle continue to be moved to summer ranges. Pastures are in fairer condition due to this weekend's rain. On the downside, Wayne county reported that the loco weed on spring and winter ranges caused abortions in many of the range herds in the tri-county area.

Crop Progress for Week Ending May 28, 2006

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Dry Beans Planted	36	1	22	13
Oats Emerged	77	65	63	80
Corn Planted	92	79	67	85
Corn Emerged	60	1	23	51
Alfalfa First Cutting	22	1	16	25

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending May 28, 2006

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	0	5	21	57	17
Winter Wheat	0	6	29	52	13
Sheep	0	0	12	85	3
Cattle/calves	0	0	6	83	11

Livestock Percent for Week Ending May 28, 2006

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Ewes Lambled on Range	89	83	90	97

Soil Moisture for Week Ending May 28, 2006

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	4	28	67	1
Subsoil	1	16	79	4
Irrigation water supplies	0	4	93	3
Stock water supplies	0	1	94	5